

# Blue & Green Corridors

## 90% Design Update Community Meeting

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To Be Followed By:

Resilient Design Review  
Committee (RDRC) Meeting  
at 4pm



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90% Design Update Community Meeting  
3-4pm

### Agenda:

- Presentation
- Questions and Answers with the public

## Resilience Design Review Committee (RDRC)

City Meeting  
4pm – 6pm

### Agenda: Introductions

(4-4:30pm) 30% Design Update: City Park HMGP

- Presentation by Designers
- Questions and Answers with Committee

(4:35-5:05pm) 90% Design Update: Blue & Green Corridors

- Presentation by Designers
- Questions and Answers with Committee

(5:10-5:40pm) Paul Haven Charter School Green Infrastructure Project

- Presentation by Designers
- Questions and Answers with Committee

(5:45 – 6pm) Comments from the public



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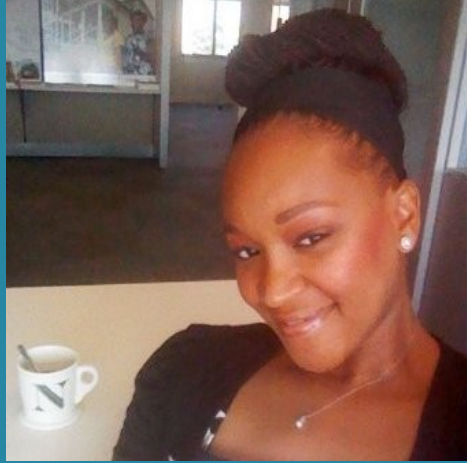
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# Introductions

## Project Team on the Call



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City of New Orleans



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City of New Orleans



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ILSI Engineering  
Gaea Consultants  
FedGeek  
MIG | SvR

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Hydrologic and Hydraulic Modeling  
Geotechnical Engineering  
Civil Engineering and H+H Modeling  
Civil Engineering  
Outreach  
Green Infrastructure Design

# Agenda

1. Background
2. Project Goals
3. Public Engagement
4. Project Update
5. Schedule
6. Questions





# Background

## Urban Stormwater Planning & the Gentilly Resilience District

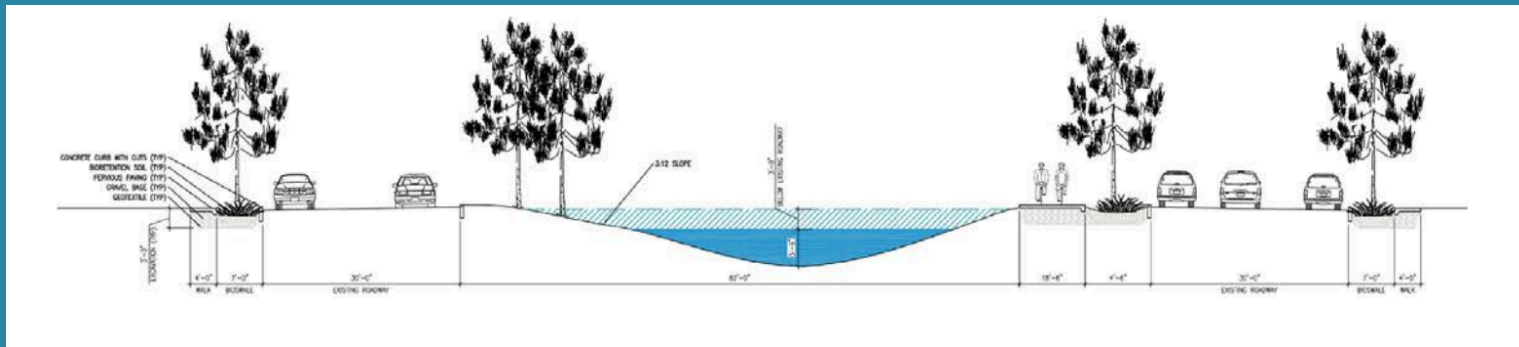
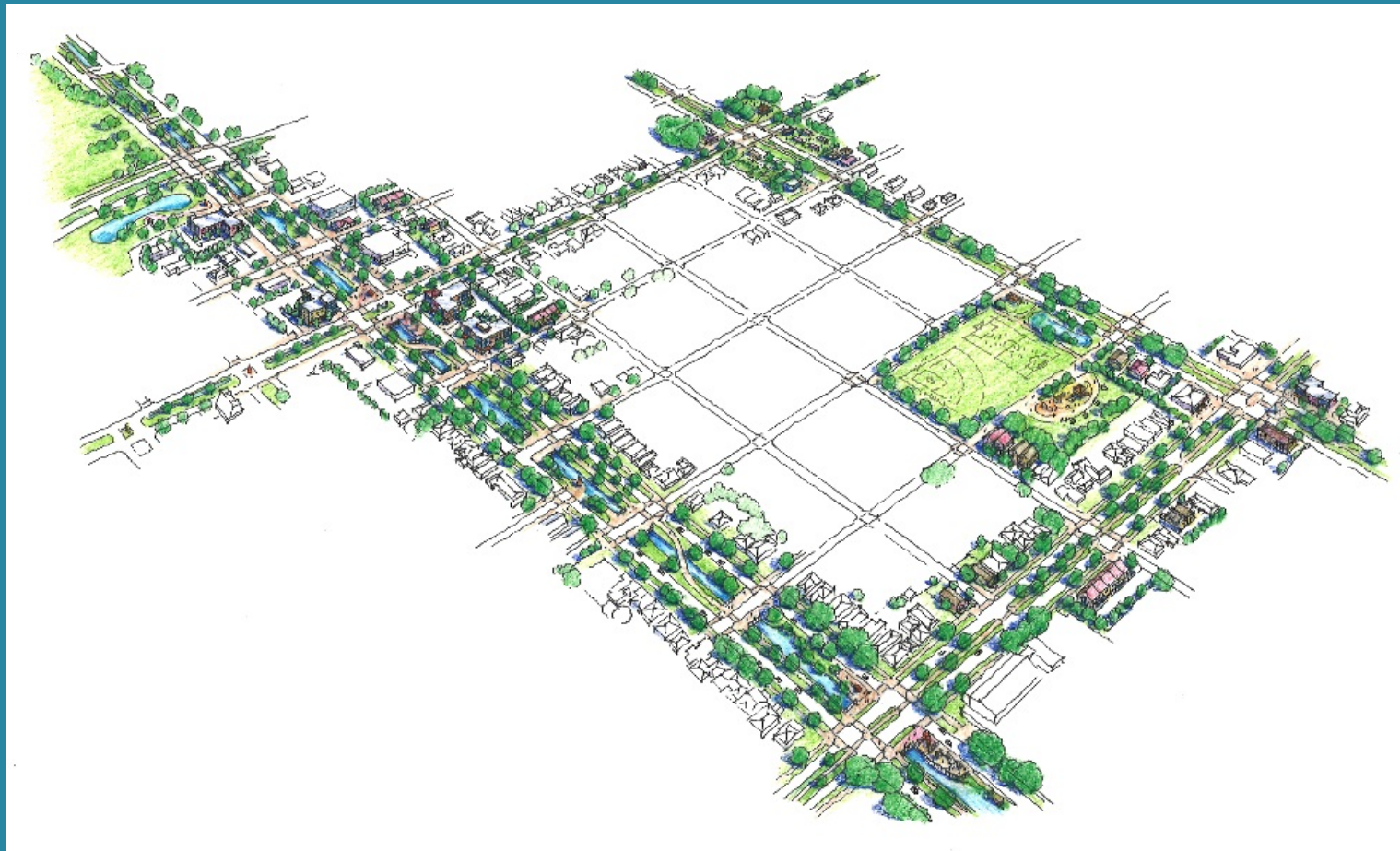
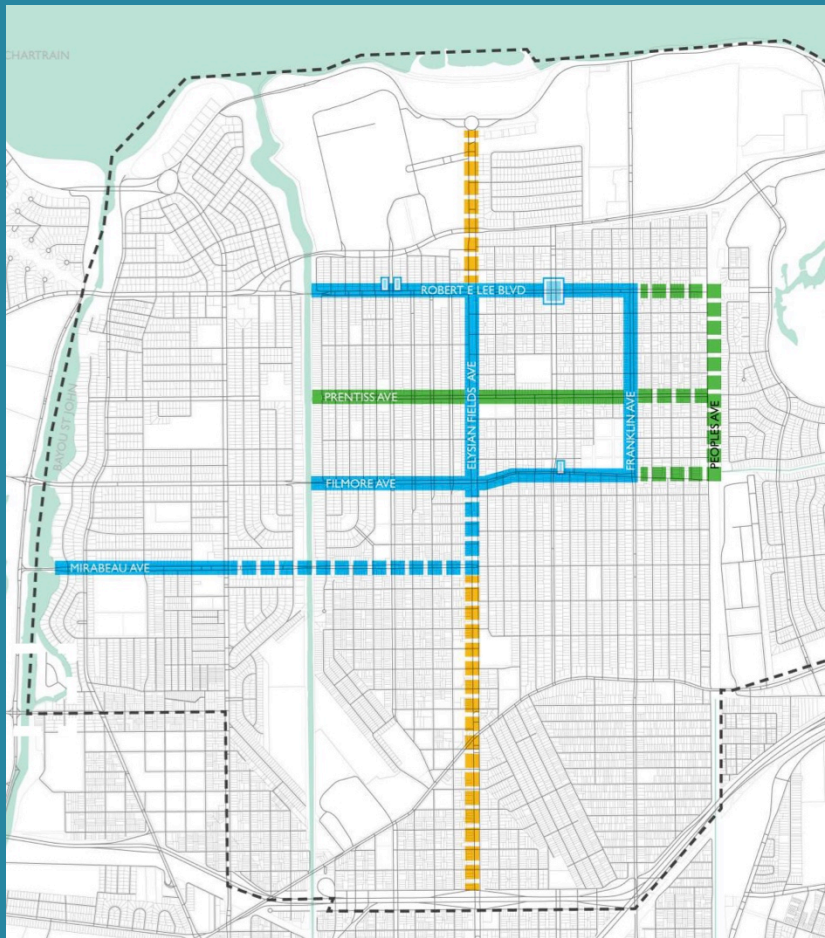
- Urban Water Plan (2013)
- FEMA funded Hazard Mitigation Program Grant (HMGP) combination gray and green infrastructure projects
- \$141 million National Disaster Resilience Competition (NDRC) funded by US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) = funding for the Gentilly Resilience District





# Background

## Early Visions



# Project Goals



## Urban Water

1. Address flooding
2. Promote infiltration and groundwater recharge



## Ecology

1. Increase biodiversity
2. Plant more trees, shrubs & flowers



## Infrastructure

1. Create complete street corridors



## Economics

1. Drive economic growth through reinvestment
2. Reduce flood management risk



## Recreation

1. Provide access to parks
2. Provide active and passive recreation



## Public Health

1. Encourage people to exercise more



## Urban Heat Mitigation

1. Create shade
2. Reduce and monitor heat island effect



## Community

1. Create community destinations for neighborhood gatherings
2. Provide interactive educational opportunities





# Background

## Existing Conditions

- Infrastructure needs addressing
- Pumping and low infiltration has led to high subsidence rates
- Entire neighborhood drains to Drainage Pump Station (DPS) #4
- Community experiences frequent flooding

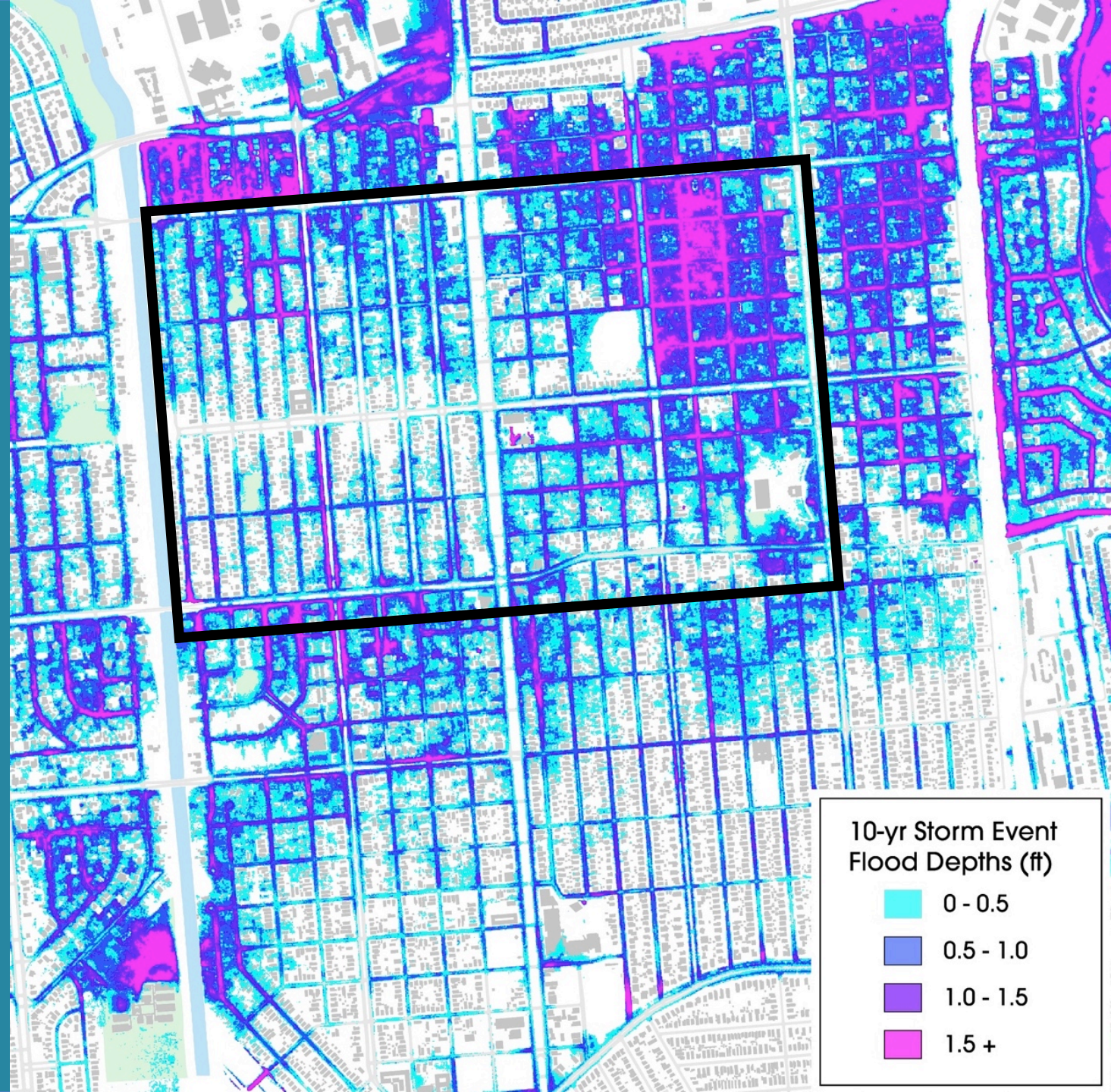


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## Flooding (10-year Storm)



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# Public Engagement

Thanks for your input!







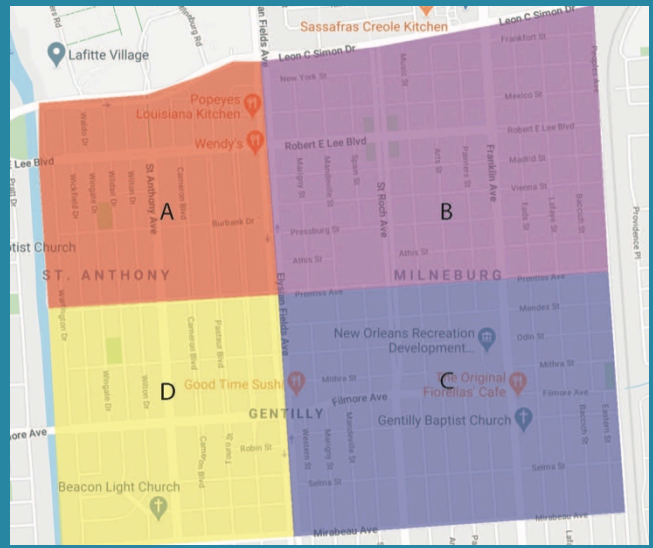
# Public Engagement

## Reaching Out During the Pandemic

### Banners in Neutral Ground



### Mailing Project Information



#### WORD SEARCH

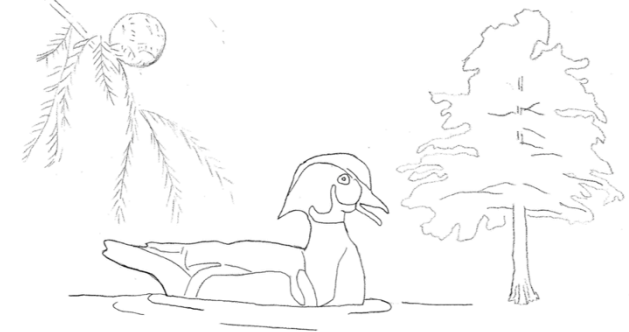
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- Blue
- Circulation
- Corridors
- Elysian Fields
- Filmore
- Flooding
- Green
- Mitigation
- Neutral Ground
- Park
- Rain Garden
- Recreation
- Resiliency
- Stormwater

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#### COLORING

Ducks like to eat cypress tree seeds.



### Educational Activity Book

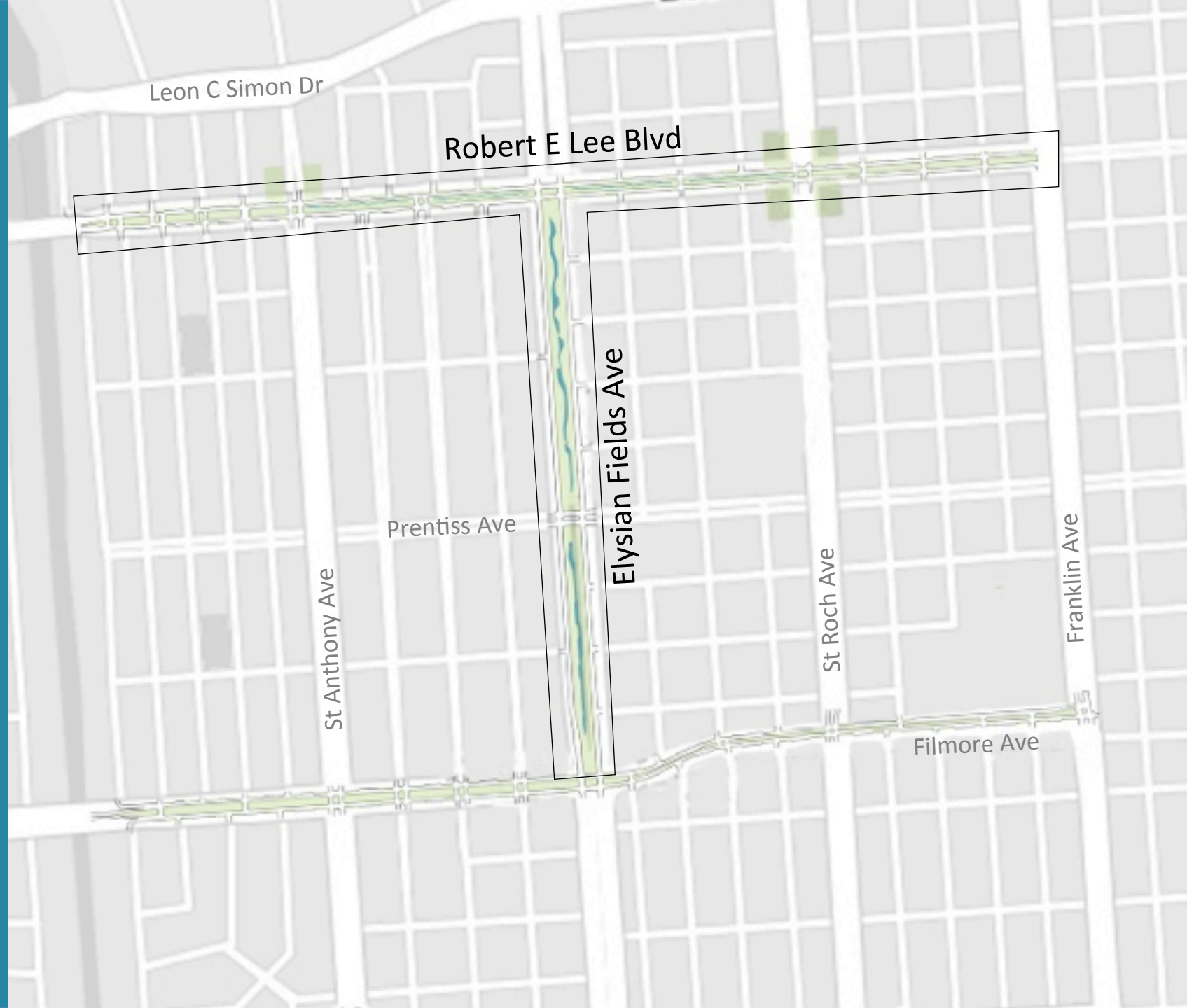


# Phase I

Elysian Fields Ave and Robert E Lee Blvd  
\$22.4 million

## Elements:

- Stormwater Storage in Elysian Fields Ave neutral ground
- Running Stream along Robert E Lee Blvd
- Walking Paths
- Curb Bump Outs
- Playgrounds



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# Phase I

## Elysian Fields Avenue Neutral Ground

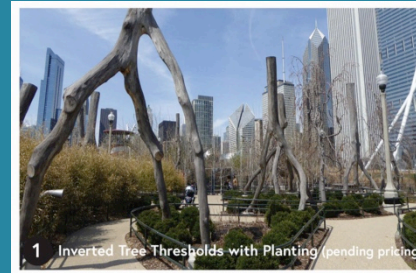




# Phase I

## Elysian Fields Avenue

### Neutral Ground



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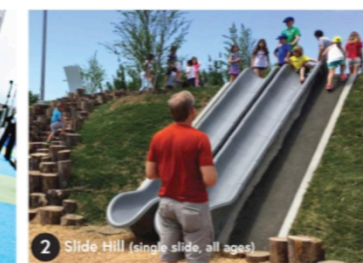
2 Kompan Double Balance Beam (all ages)



3 Kompan Aldebaran (ages 5-12)



1 Kompan Spinner Bowl (all ages)



2 Slide Hill (single slide, all ages)



3 Kompan Rambler (ages 2-5)



4 Log Play Sculptures (pending pricing)

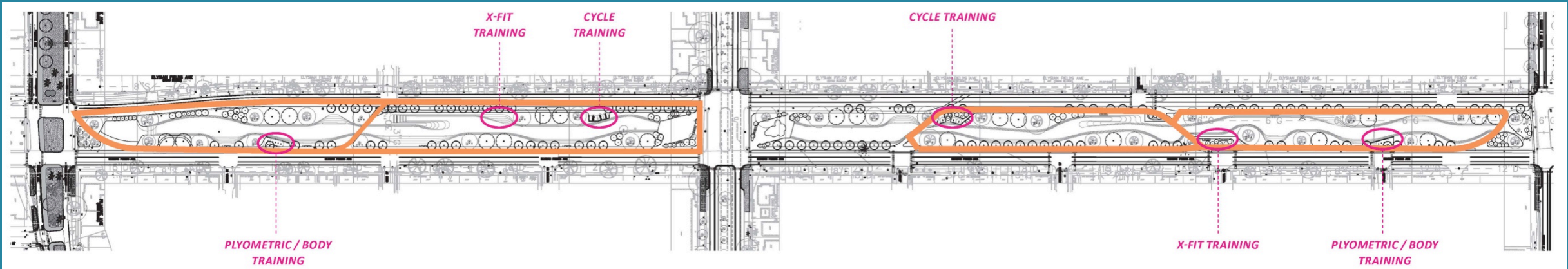


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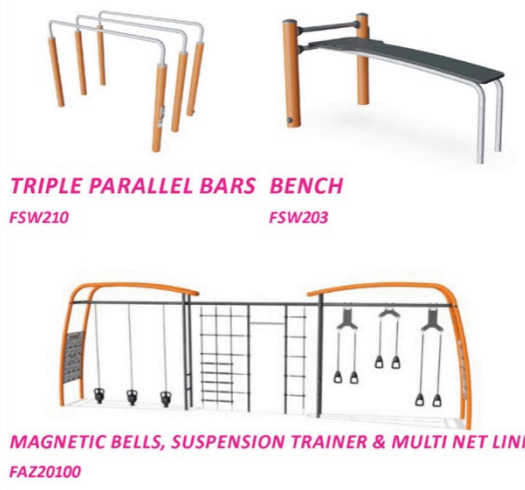
## Elysian Fields Avenue Neutral Ground



### PLYOMETRIC / BODY TRAINING



### X-FIT TRAINING



### CYCLE TRAINING





# Phase I

## Rain Garden Bump Outs

- Improves water quality, promotes transpiration, and enhances the streetscape
- Provides shorter crossing distance for pedestrians, enhancing safety





# Phase I

## Protected Bike Lanes

- Protected buffer between driving lanes and bike lane
- Part of **Moving New Orleans**, a multi-modal strategy that is focused on improving the safety, equity, efficiency, and connectivity of the City's transportation network

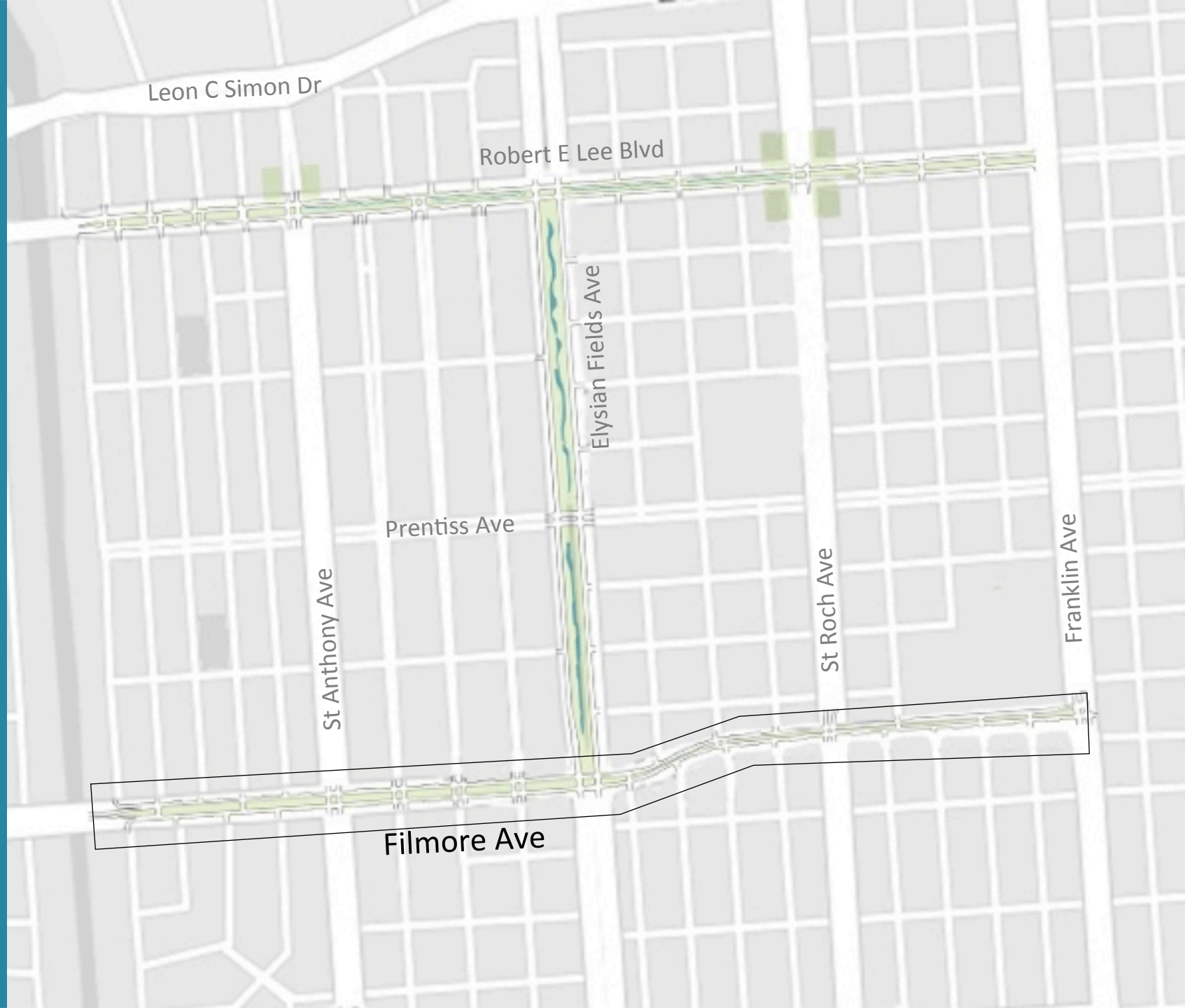


# Phase II

Filmore Ave  
\$5.6 million

## Elements:

- Rainwater Infiltration
- Bike Path Connection
- Streetscape Improvements





# Phase II

Temporary Rainwater Storage  
Pedestrian and Bike Facilities



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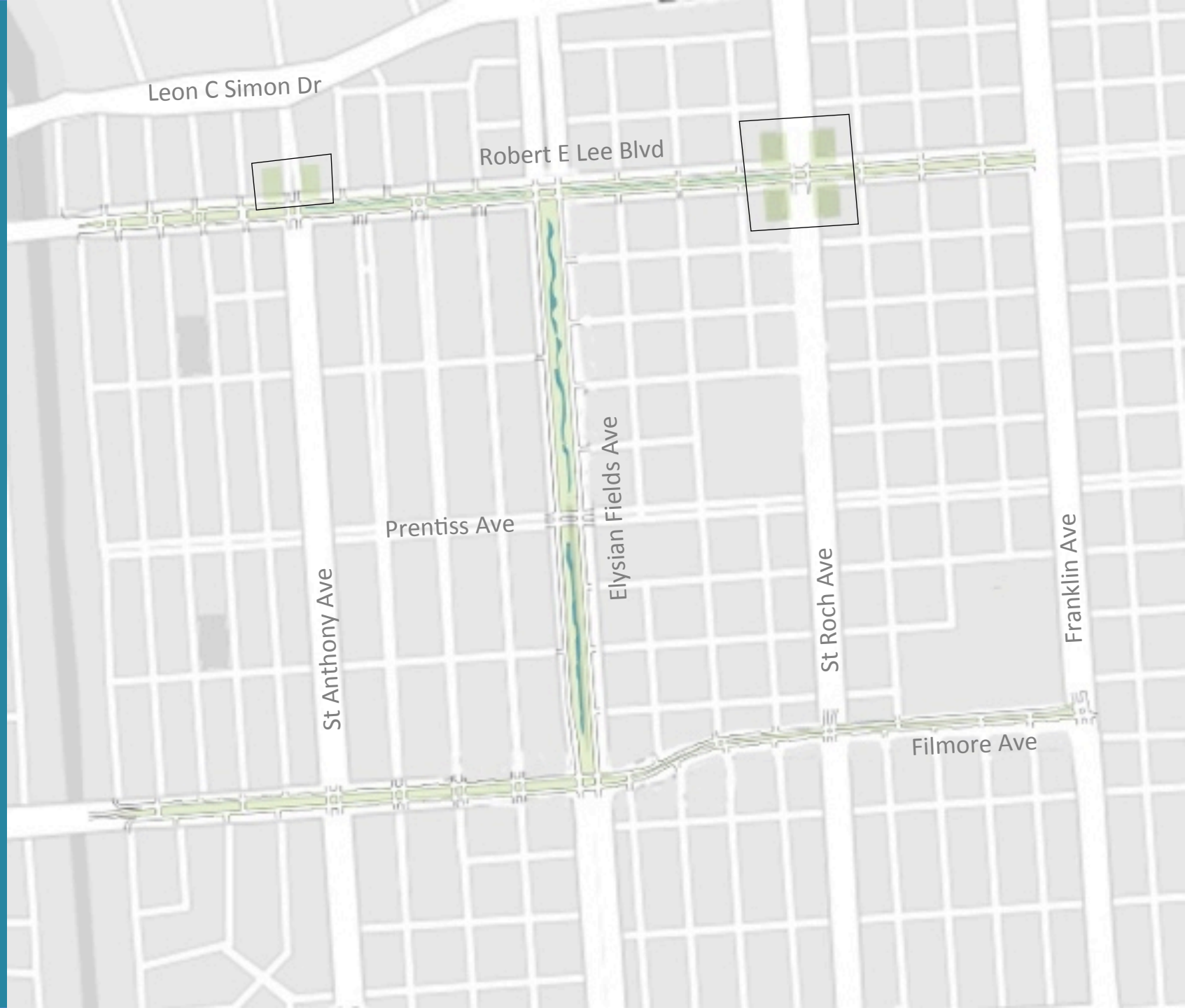
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# Phase III

Stormwater Lots on  
Robert E Lee Blvd  
\$7 million

## Elements:

- Stormwater Storage
- Playgrounds
- Community Centers



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# Phase III

## Stormwater Lots

Community Centers

Recreational Focal Point

Stormwater Storage



Parks during dry weather



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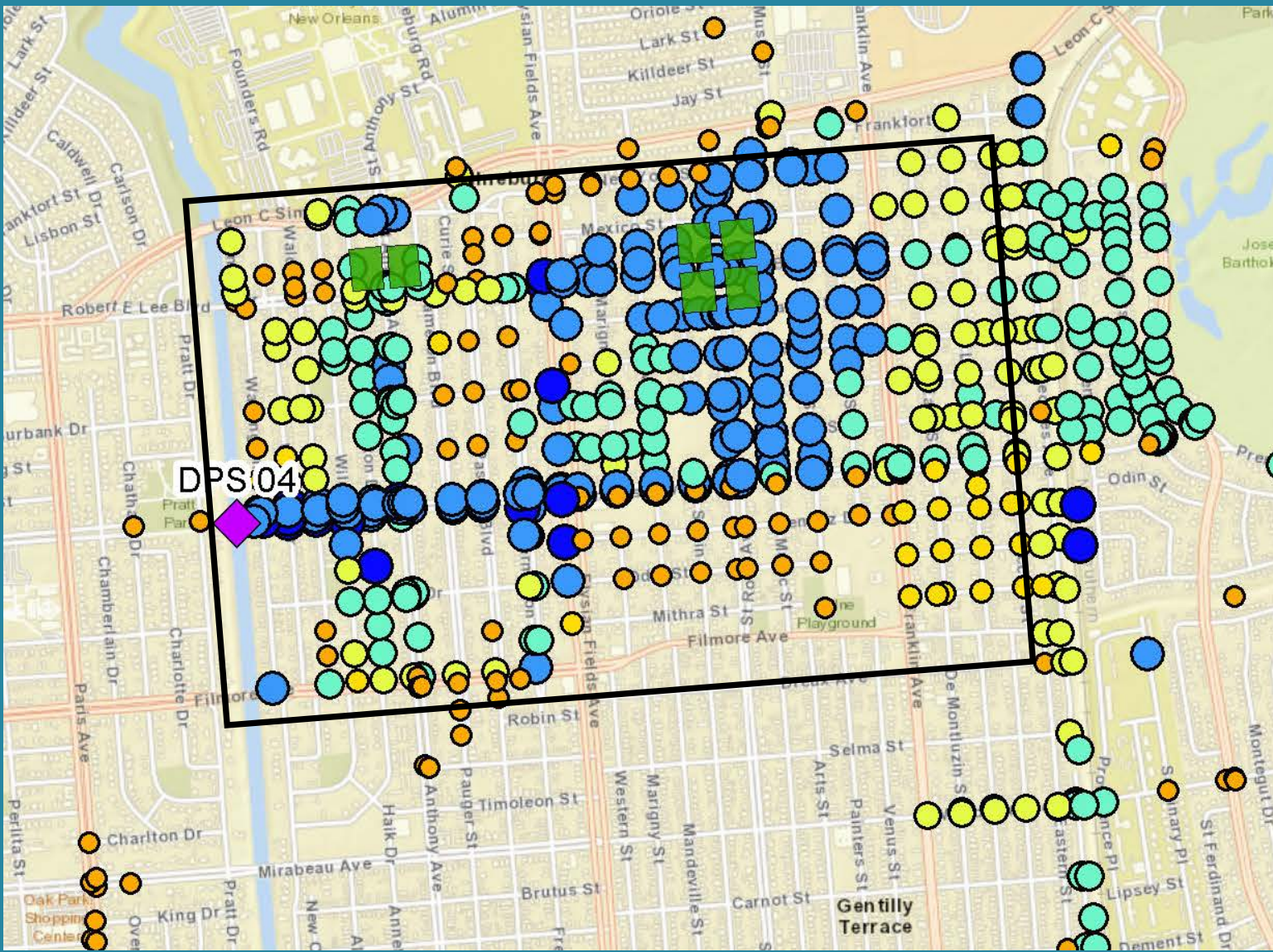
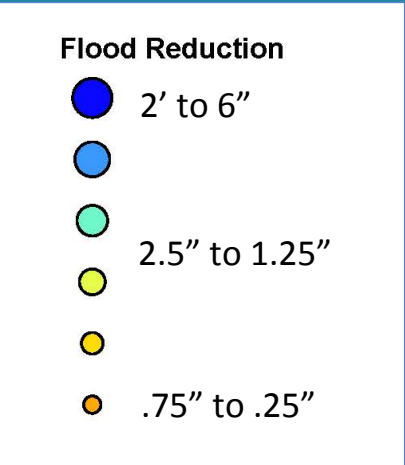


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# Flood Reduction



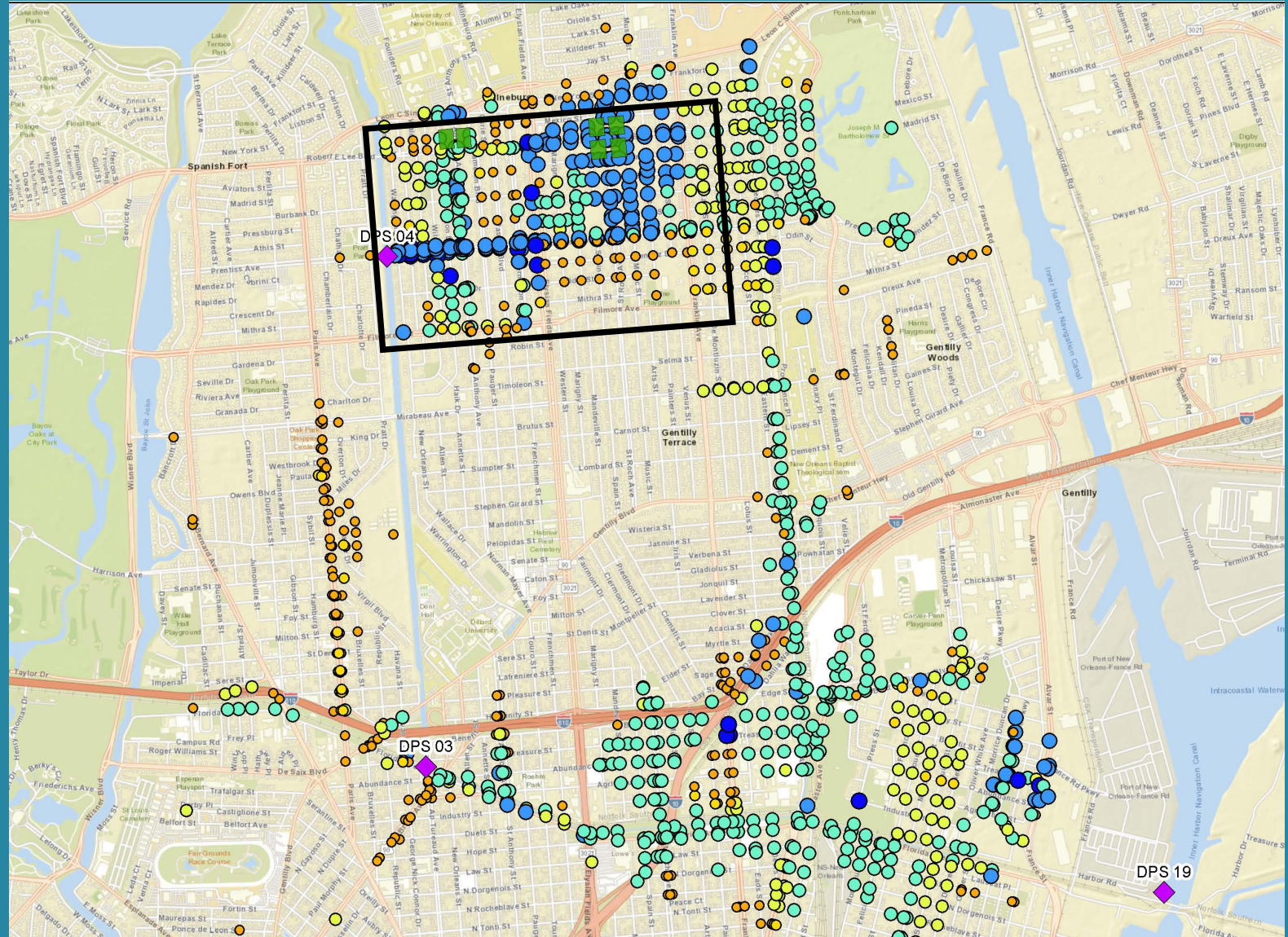
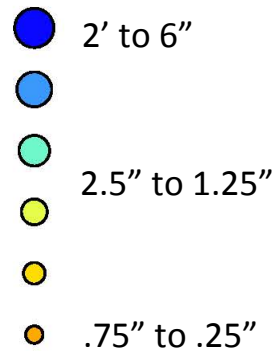


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## Larger System Impacts

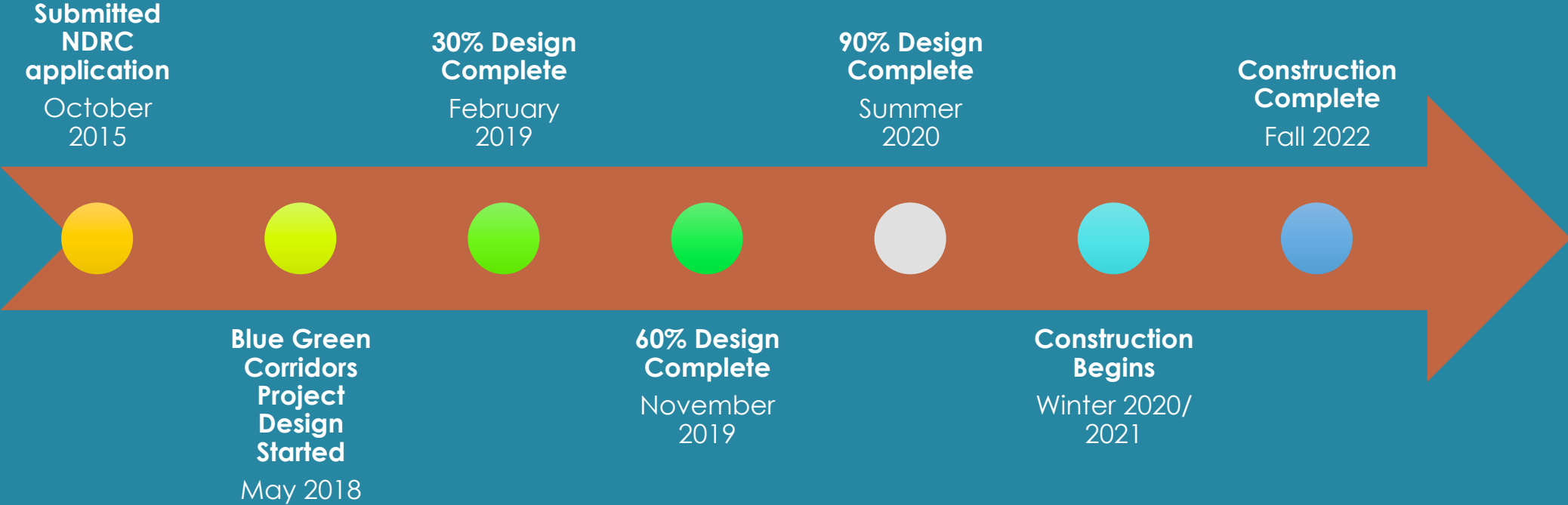
- Drainage system interconnected
- Flood reduction benefits exist inside and outside of project area

### Flood Reduction





# Schedule



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